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Miss Fosdick also asked if I would look into the question of U.S. grain sold to Russia allegedly being transshipped to other countries. She had some reports of Russian ships unloading American grain at the port of Civitavecchia.

8. _______ - JMM) Met with Jack Ticer and John Goldsmith, staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and raised the question of Senator Stennis' desires and availability regarding the handling of Agency problems. I asked specifically whether, when we had a problem which had to be taken up with the Chairman, we should first approach Stennis or continue to deal with Symington until further notice. Ticer pointed out that Stennis was still under doctor's orders to pace himself very carefully and suggested that routine matters be handled with Symington for the time being but if sensitive matters arose in which we particularly wanted to consult Stennis, we first check with Chief Counsel Ed Braswell or Ev Cresswell, of the Stennis' personal staff.

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